

CITY OF ROCKFORD



**REQUEST FOR PUBLIC RECORDS  
OFFICIAL REQUEST FORM**

**INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION**

- a. In Section 1, describe the public records that you wish to inspect or to have copied or certified. Please be precise about what records you seek. You may use a separate sheet if necessary.

Indicate whether you request only to inspect the public records or whether you also request to have the public records copied and certified by checking the appropriate spaces.

- b. By submitting this Request Form, you are agreeing to pay to the City, in advance of receiving copies of any public records, the copying fees set forth in Section 2.

The fees set forth in Section 2 may be waived or reduced by the Freedom of Information Officer on determination and proof that the purpose of your request is primarily to benefit the general public and that you will receive no significant personal or commercial benefit from your request. If you wish to be considered for a fee waiver or reduction, you must complete the statement set forth in Subsection 2.B.

- c. In Section 3, indicate the purposes for which you are requesting the public records identified in Section 1. You must provide the information in Section 3.

- d. The City will not mail copies of public records except upon satisfactory proof that it would be unduly burdensome for you to inspect, receive via e-mail, or pick up the copies and then only upon advance payment of the actual cost of postage. You must complete the statement set forth in Section 4.

- e. You must provide the information requested in Section 5.

- f. You must sign the statement set forth in Section 6.

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The City will disclose the public records requested on this Request Form within 21 Business Days after the receipt of this Request Form for all requests made for commercial purposes, and within five Business Days for all other requests, unless the applicable response period is extended as provided by law or the request is denied. All extensions and denials will be in writing and will state the reasons therefore. The Requestor may seek review of a denial by the Public Access Counselor of the Office of the Illinois Attorney General. Judicial review is available under Section 11 of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.* For more detailed information, please consult the City of Rockford Policy for Implementation of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, which is available from the Freedom of Information Liaison Officer.

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**1. Request for Records**

I request the following public records of the City:

Records requested (field will continue to grow as you type. Enter your complete request in detail):

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request the following records:

I would like to obtain all emails sent to, from, or copied to Mayor Larry Morrissey from January 1, 2010 to Present day, containing any of the following non-case-sensitive key-strings: 'EB-5', 'Regional Center', 'USCIS' or 'EB5'.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

☐ Inspect

☒ Copy



**2. Agreement to Pay Fees** (*check/complete A. or B. below*)

- ☐ A. Unless I have requested and received a waiver under Subsection B of this Section, I will pay the following fees for the public records copied at my request:

1. Copies – 8½ x 11 or 8½ x 14, Black and White

First 50 pages

Free

Additional pages

\$.15 per page

2. Other types of records @ actual cost of reproduction \$

3. Postage @ actual cost

\$

- ☐ I agree that I will pay the actual charges that the City incurs in connection with the copying services, and the fees stated in items 1 through 3. I further agree that the fees stated in items 1 through 3 above will not apply if the fee for the requested records is otherwise fixed by statute. If the requested records are produced on an electronic medium, I agree to pay the actual cost of purchasing the medium.

- ☒ B. I request a waiver of the fees set forth in Subsection A, and in support of my request I hereby certify that I will gain no significant personal or commercial benefit from the public records herein requested and that my principal purpose in making this request is to benefit the general public by disseminating information concerning the health, safety, welfare, or legal rights of the general public in the following specific manner:

**3. Purpose of Request**

Please check Yes or No for each of the following:

- |   | <u>Yes</u>                          | <u>No</u>                           |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| A. I am requesting the public records identified in Section 1 to use the records, or the information derived therein, for sale, resale, solicitation, or advertisement for sales or services. | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| B. I am, or represent, news media or a non-profit, scientific or academic organization.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| C. The principal purpose of this Request for Public Records is to access and disseminate information concerning news and current or passing events.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |



D. The principal purpose of this Request for Public Records is for articles of opinion or features of interest to the public. ☒ ☐

E. The principal purpose of this Request for Public Records is academic, scientific, or public research or education. ☒ ☐

Pursuant to Section 3.1(c) of the Freedom of Information Act, it is a violation of the Act for a person to knowingly obtain a public record for a commercial purpose without disclosing that it is for a commercial purpose.

4. **Method of Delivery**

E-Mail ☐ Fax ☐ Mail ☒ In Person ☐

5. **Requestor**

A. Name of Requestor: Taylor Scott Amarel

B. Address for Responses, Decisions, and Communications:

Dept. MR 53387, 411A Highland Ave., Somerville, MA 02144

C. Contact Information of Requestor:

Work: 617-299-1832

Home:

Cell:

Fax:

E-mail: 53387-92514957@requests.muckrock.com

6. **Signature of Requestor**

By entering my name below, I acknowledge and represent that I have reviewed and understand the City of Rockford Policy for Implementation of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, and under penalties as provided by law pursuant to §1-109 of the Illinois Code of Civil Procedure, that all of the information provided in support of this request is true and accurate.





"\*Note: If you are sending in this form electronically, you do not need to sign your name with a pen. However, you will need to check the below /s/ digital signature box, or you can click the "Signature of Requestor" box to digitally sign this form if you're familiar with signing Adobe PDF's."

☒ /s/Check here to approve the use of your digital signature

Beryl Lipton for Taylor Scott Amarel

Please print your name



Signature of Requestor

Date will be entered automatically...

Date

**Send Form**

FOIA Email Reference - For City Official use only:

FOIA Notes - For City Official use only:



## Kerry Partridge

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**From:** Gary Gorman <ggorman@gormanusa.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 20, 2017 9:35 PM  
**To:** Larry Morrissey  
**Cc:** Todd Cagnoni  
**Subject:** RE: Revised AMENDED AND RESTATED Dev Agreement Draft 03-20-17 TMC

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Let me respond point by point:

- 1) Page 4, paragraph B (2), the change of the price of the conference center from \$13,100,000 to \$12,500,000. I provided a very detailed budget for the conference center months ago to Jim Ryan and the same budget to Todd recently. I am willing to take out expenses related to HUD 108 financing. If you add the HUD 108 fee to the required reserve, that totals \$437,000. I wanted to leave the reserve in the budget until we received the bids from subcontractors and suppliers, but I take it that this is no longer considered good practice. That brings the total to \$12,663,000. I would like someone to explain why there is another \$113,000 removed. Where does that number come from?
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In summary, I will agree to all of these changes except #8. I will even eat the reduction in the price of the conference center even though I see no rational reason for it. I think we are at a "yes" or "no" point on this deal.

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425 E. State Street  
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**Date:** March 20, 2017 at 4:02:54 PM CDT

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**From:** Illinois Law360 <news-q@law360.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 30, 2017 3:48 AM  
**To:** Larry Morrissey  
**Subject:** \$45M Medicare Trial Ends With Lesser Pleas After Gov't Error



Thursday, March 30, 2017



### TOP NEWS

#### **\$45M Medicare Trial Ends With Lesser Pleas After Gov't Error**

A trio of defendants accused of cheating Medicare out of \$45 million pled guilty to much lesser charges Wednesday and could spend little to no time in jail after the government failed to hand over key evidence during a weekslong trial.

#### **III. Court Sides With Gov't In EB-5 Residency Status Row**

An Illinois federal judge ruled for the government Tuesday in the case of an Iranian EB-5 investor who sued after U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services declined to remove conditions from his permanent resident status, saying the agency had reasons for its decision.

#### **Ex-Rep. Schock Says DOJ's Insider Flouted Constitution**

Former U.S. Rep. Aaron Schock, R-Ill., said in filings Tuesday that the government's suit accusing him of stealing from campaign committees and government funds is resting on the shaky foundation of a young staffer-turned-snitch who crossed constitutional lines to get dirt on his ex-boss.

#### **JCPenney's \$5M Settlement With Workers Passes First Hurdle**

An Illinois federal judge on Wednesday granted preliminary approval to a \$5 million settlement that would end a yearslong dispute between J.C. Penney Corp. and part-time employees in Illinois who say they were never paid vacation benefits when they left the company.

#### **III. FCA Doesn't Cover Tax Violation Claim, Appeals Court Says**

An Illinois appeals court on Wednesday rejected a suit alleging an online wine retailer violated the Illinois False Claims Act when it failed to collect local taxes on purchases made through its website, saying the customer who brought the suit failed to identify a false claim or representation made by the retailer.

### POLICY & REGULATION

#### **Patient Flow Still Matters In Hospital Tie-Ups, FTC Official Says**

Although two federal circuit courts have recently discounted evidence of patient flows in hospital merger challenges by the Federal Trade Commission, the

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information is still relevant in an assessment of whether a combination of hospital systems is anti-competitive, an FTC official said Wednesday.

## LITIGATION

### 7th Circ. Says Collector Misled Consumer About Old Debt

The Seventh Circuit on Wednesday affirmed a ruling that debt collector Portfolio Recovery Associates had run afoul of the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act in its efforts to recoup an old consumer debt, finding the letter it sent to the debtor failed to clearly communicate that the debt had expired.

### Ambit Energy Gets RICO, Rate Suit Thrown Out

An Illinois federal judge has granted summary judgment to natural gas supplier Ambit Energy Holdings LLC and tossed a proposed class action brought by a ratepayer who alleged the company broke its promises, jacked up rates and violated the Racketeer Influence and Corrupt Organizations Act, ruling the company's conduct did not constitute mail or wire fraud.

### Motorola Files ITC Complaint Over Hytera Radio Equipment

Chicago-based Motorola Solutions Inc. said Wednesday that it filed a complaint with the U.S. International Trade Commission seeking to block China's Hytera Communications Corp. Ltd. from importing two-way radio equipment that Motorola claims infringes several of its patents.

## EXPERT ANALYSIS

### Series

#### Advocate For An Agency: Ex-FERC GC Cynthia Marlette

Cynthia Marlette, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's general counsel from 2001 to 2005 and from 2007 to 2009, reflects on how she addressed the job's many responsibilities, including advising the commission on laws and enforcement actions, developing policy, seeking consensus among commissioners, and overseeing defense of agency actions in court, as well as dealing with historic events like the California energy crisis.

## LEGAL INDUSTRY

### Analysis

#### 4 Ways To Rise To The Top In BigLaw Without Making It Rain

Being a rainmaker is often thought of as the gold standard when it comes to "making it" in BigLaw, but experts say there are a number of ways lawyers can become highly valued partners without being stellar business generators. Here are four tips on becoming a major player without being a rainmaker.

### Analysis

#### 3 Decisions You Need To Read About Bills And Privilege

It's generally understood that the bills a lawyer sends a client are privileged communications and can't be pried open through discovery, but courts haven't always agreed with the concept. Here, we look at three recent cases showing just how far the privilege can or cannot go when it comes to legal billing.

#### More Democrats Rally To Gorsuch Filibuster Effort

Senate Democrats pushed further to block of the Tenth Circuit Judge Neil Gorsuch's nomination to the U.S. Supreme Court on Wednesday, as more than half of their colleagues have said they would oppose his confirmation.

Portfolio Recovery Associates Inc.  
Public Broadcasting Service  
United Auto Workers

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U.S. Department of Energy  
U.S. Department of Justice  
U.S. Senate  
U.S. Supreme Court

## **UAW Tells Sens. To Vote 'No' On Gorsuch For Supreme Court**

The president of the United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America on Wednesday announced he has sent a letter to the U.S. Senate expressing strong opposition to Tenth Circuit Judge Neil Gorsuch's nomination to the U.S. Supreme Court, urging lawmakers to vote no on the nomination.

## **ACC Offers Benchmarks For Law Firm Cybersecurity**

The Association of Corporate Counsel on Wednesday released cybersecurity guidelines for law firms that outline the ways in which sensitive information passed to outside counsel should be handled and protected.

## **Fla. House Narrowly Passes Judicial Term Limits Bill**

The Florida House of Representatives narrowly passed a bill Wednesday that would place an amendment on the ballot next year to limit state appellate and Supreme Court judges to two six-year terms.

## **Plaintiffs Bar Perspective: Jonathan Gardner**

For plaintiffs attorneys, it's important to have an entrepreneurial mindset and understand the business of law. Since we are contingency-based, we take on risk with every case, says Jonathan Gardner, partner at Labaton Sucharow LLP.

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**From:** National Bisnow <newsletter@news.bisnow.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 13, 2017 11:34 AM  
**To:** Larry Morrissey  
**Subject:** Top Real Estate National News; CRE Tech Has Advanced So Far It Can Now Manage A Building

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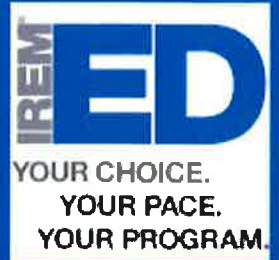
## **Tech Companies Shine Light On Opaque Government-Owned Real Estate**



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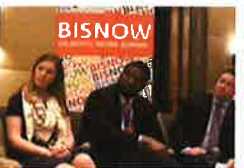
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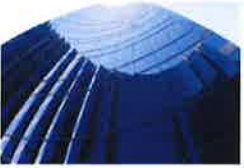
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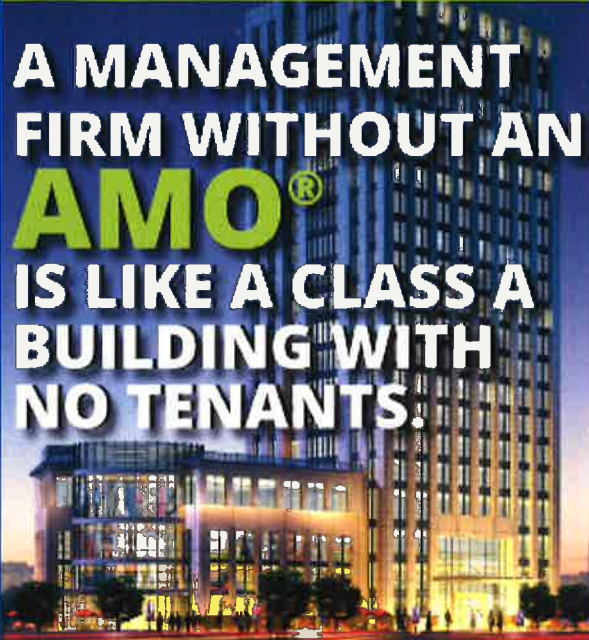


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